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### Federal Emergency Management Agency

Washington, D.C. 20472

### LETTER OF MAP REVISION **DETERMINATION DOCUMENT**

COMMUNITY AND REVISION INFORMATION			PROJECT DESCRIPTION	BASIS OF REQUEST			
COMMUNITY	City of Columbia Richland County South Carolina		NO PROJECT	FLOODWAY HYDRAULIC ANALYSIS HYDROLOGIC ANALYSIS NEW TOPOGRAPHIC DATA			
	COMMUNITY NO.: 450172						
IDENTIFIER	Smith Branch - Upper Branch		APPROXIMATE LATITUDE & LONGITUDE: 34.022, -81.029 SOURCE: USGS QUADRANGLE DATUM: NAD 83				
	ANNOTATED MAPPING ENCLOSURES		ANNOTATED STUDY ENCLOSURES				
TYPE: FIRM*	NO.: 45079C0092H DATE: Fe	,	DATE OF EFFECTIVE FLOOD INSURANCE STUDY REPORT: September 29, 20 PROFILE(S)**: 128P, 129P, 130P and 131P FLOODWAY DATA TABLE: 8 SUMMARY OF DISCHARGES TABLE: 6				

#### FLOODING SOURCE(S) & REVISED REACH(ES)

See Page 2 for Additional Flooding Sources

Smith Branch - from just downstream of Colonial Drive to approximately 280 feet upstream of Abandoned Railroad

SUMMARY OF REVISIONS					
Effective Flooding	Revised Flooding	Increases	Decreases		
Zone AE	Zone AE	NONE	YES		
BFEs*	BFEs	YES	YES		
Floodway	Floodway	NONE	YES		
Zone AH	Zone AH	YES	YES		
	Zone AE BFEs* Floodway	Zone AE Zone AE BFEs* BFEs Floodway Floodway	Zone AE Zone AE NONE BFEs* BFEs YES Floodway Floodway NONE		

#### **DETERMINATION**

This document provides the determination from the Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) regarding a request for a Letter of Map Revision (LOMR) for the area described above. Using the information submitted, we have determined that a revision to the flood hazards depicted in the Flood Insurance Study (FIS) report and/or National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) map is warranted. This document revises the effective NFIP map, as indicated in the attached documentation. Please use the enclosed annotated map panels revised by this LOMR for floodplain management purposes and for all flood insurance policies and renewals in your community.

This determination is based on the flood data presently available. The enclosed documents provide additional information regarding this determination. If you have any questions about this document, please contact the FEMA Map Information eXchange (FMIX) toll free at 1-877-336-2627 (1-877-FEMA MAP) or by letter addressed to the LOMC Clearinghouse, 847 South Pickett Street, Alexandria, VA 22304-4605. Additional Information about the NFIP is available on our website at http://www.fema.gov/business/nfip.

Enclosures reflect changes to flooding sources affected by this revision.

\* FIRM - Flood Insurance Rate Map; \*\*The Profiles, 128-130P are revised only to convert the datum to NGVD. The LOMR revision reflects on profile 131P.



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#### OTHER FLOODING SOURCES AFFECTED BY THIS REVISION

FLOODING SOURCE(S) & REVISED REACH(ES)

Smith Branch - from just downstream of Colonial Drive to approximately 280 feet upstream of Abandoned Rail Road

	SUMMARY OF REVISIONS				
Flooding Source	Effective Flooding	Revised Flooding	Increases	Decreases	
Smith Branch	Zone AE	Zone X (shaded)	NONE	YES	
	Zone AH	Zone X (shaded)	NONE	YES	

\* BFEs - Base Flood Elevations

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#### COMMUNITY INFORMATION

#### APPLICABLE NFIP REGULATIONS/COMMUNITY OBLIGATION

We have made this determination pursuant to Section 206 of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 (P.L. 93-234) and in accordance with the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, as amended (Title XIII of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, P.L. 90-448), 42 U.S.C. 4001-4128, and 44 CFR Part 65. Pursuant to Section 1361 of the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, as amended, communities participating in the NFIP are required to adopt and enforce floodplain management regulations that meet or exceed NFIP criteria. These criteria, including adoption of the FIS report and FIRM, and the modifications made by this LOMR, are the minimum requirements for continued NFIP participation and do not supersede more stringent State/Commonwealth or local requirements to which the regulations apply.

We provide the floodway designation to your community as a tool to regulate floodplain development. Therefore, the floodway revision we have described in this letter, while acceptable to us, must also be acceptable to your community and adopted by appropriate community action, as specified in Paragraph 60.3(d) of the NFIP regulations.

#### **COMMUNITY REMINDERS**

We based this determination on the 1-percent-annual-chance discharges computed in the submitted hydrologic model. Future development of projects upstream could cause increased discharges, which could cause increased flood hazards. A comprehensive restudy of your community's flood hazards would consider the cumulative effects of development on discharges and could, therefore, indicate that greater flood hazards exist in this area.

Your community must regulate all proposed floodplain development and ensure that permits required by Federal and/or State/Commonwealth law have been obtained. State/Commonwealth or community officials, based on knowledge of local conditions and in the interest of safety, may set higher standards for construction or may limit development in floodplain areas. If your State/Commonwealth or community has adopted more restrictive or comprehensive floodplain management criteria, those criteria take precedence over the minimum NFIP requirements.

We will not print and distribute this LOMR to primary users, such as local insurance agents or mortgage lenders; instead, the community will serve as a repository for the new data. We encourage you to disseminate the information in this LOMR by preparing a news release for publication in your community's newspaper that describes the revision and explains how your community will provide the data and help interpret the NFIP maps. In that way, interested persons, such as property owners, insurance agents, and mortgage lenders, can benefit from the information.

This determination is based on the flood data presently available. The enclosed documents provide additional information regarding this determination. If you have any questions about this document, please contact the FEMA Map Information eXchange (FMIX) toll free at 1-877-336-2627 (1-877-FEMA MAP) or by letter addressed to the LOMC Clearinghouse, 847 South Pickett Street, Alexandria, VA 22304-4605. Additional Information about the NFIP is available on our website at http://www.fema.gov/business/nfip.

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We have designated a Consultation Coordination Officer (CCO) to assist your community. The CCO will be the primary liaison between your community and FEMA. For information regarding your CCO, please contact:

Mr. Brad Loar
Director, Mitigation Division
Federal Emergency Management Agency, Region IV
Koger Center - Rutgers Building
3003 Chamblee Tucker Road
Atlanta, GA 30341
(770) 220-5400

#### STATUS OF THE COMMUNITY NFIP MAPS

We will not physically revise and republish the FIRM and FIS report for your community to reflect the modifications made by this LOMR at this time. When changes to the previously cited FIRM panel(s) and FIS report warrant physical revision and republication in the future, we will incorporate the modifications made by this LOMR at that time.

The FIRM panel 45079C0092H, dated February 2002 is referenced to NGVD 29. However, the 2010 FIS Report includes the flood profiles and Floodway Data Table for Smith Branch, both referenced to NAVD 88. This LOMR revises profiles 128-130P only to convert the vertical datum to NGVD. The LOMR revision affects only profile 131P. All elevation data in the Floodway Data Table for Smith Branch are also converted to NGVD.

This determination is based on the flood data presently available. The enclosed documents provide additional information regarding this determination. If you have any questions about this document, please contact the FEMA Map Information eXchange (FMIX) toll free at 1-877-336-2627 (1-877-FEMA MAP) or by letter addressed to the LOMC Clearinghouse, 847 South Pickett Street, Alexandria, VA 22304-4605. Additional Information about the NFIP is available on our website at http://www.fema.gov/business/nfip.



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#### **PUBLIC NOTIFICATION OF REVISION**

#### **PUBLIC NOTIFICATION**

A notice of changes will be published in the *Federal Register*. This information also will be published in your local newspaper on or about the dates listed below and through FEMA's Flood Hazard Mapping website at https://www.floodmaps.fema.gov/fhm/Scripts/bfe\_main.asp.

LOCAL NEWSPAPER Name: The Columbia Star

Dates: May 25, 2012 and June 1, 2012

Within 90 days of the second publication in the local newspaper, a citizen may request that we reconsider this determination. Any request for reconsideration must be based on scientific or technical data. Therefore, this letter will be effective only after the 90-day appeal period has elapsed and we have resolved any appeals that we receive during this appeal period. Until this LOMR is effective, the revised flood hazard determination information presented in this LOMR may be changed.

This determination is based on the flood data presently available. The enclosed documents provide additional information regarding this determination. If you have any questions about this document, please contact the FEMA Map Information eXchange (FMIX) toll free at 1-877-336-2627 (1-877-FEMA MAP) or by letter addressed to the LOMC Clearinghouse, 847 South Pickett Street, Alexandria, VA 22304-4605. Additional Information about the NFIP is available on our website at http://www.fema.gov/business/nfip.

### TABLE 6 - SUMMARY OF DISCHARGES - (continued)

FLOODING SOURCE	DRAINAGE AREA	PEAK DISCHARGES (cfs)				
AND LOCATION	(sq.miles)	<u>10-YEAR</u>	<u>50-YEAR</u>	<u>100-YEAR</u>	<u>500-YEAR</u>	
REEDER POINT						
BRANCH (continued)						
Below confluence of						
Tributary RP-l	6.74	2,445	3,683	4,218	5,663	
Above confluence of						
Tributary RP-l	4.66	1,904	2,962	3,488	4,571	
At Southern Railway	3.89	1,886	2,837	3,302	4,224	
Below dam	1.77	1,003	1,554	1,809	2,313	
Above Burnsides Pond	0.96	518	763	882	1,124	
ROBERTS BRANCH						
At mouth	6.24	710	1,540	2,182	3,119	
Below Stevensons Lake	5.73	705	1,698	2,278	3,137	
Above Steven sons Lake	5.73	796	1,806	2,314	3,175	
Below Crescent Lake	5.23	749	1,704	2,182	2,989	
Above Crescent Lake	4.35	743	1,545	1,956	2,634	
Below Epsworth Lake	3.55	626	1,303	1,659	2,233	
Above Epsworth Lake	3.55	982	1,587	1,891	2,416	
At Southern Railway	2.51	698	1,115	1,328	1,695	
ROCKY BRANCH						
At mouth	3.7	2,210	3,190	3,550	4,780	
At Southern Railway	2.9	2,110	3,020	3,360	4,430	
SALUDA RIVER						
At mouth	2,510.0	32,000	90,000	105,000	145,000	
SANDY BRANCH						
Below Bridge Creek 1	8.70	1,913	3,294	3,904	5,120	
At Richland County						
Boundary	4.00	1,319	2,299	2,707	3,512	
SMITH BRANCH						
At mouth	7.36	2,681	3,867	4,435	5,672	
At confluence of						
Bay Branch	5.35	2,286	3,297	3,781	4,836	
Above confluence						
of Bay Branch	2.36	1,727	2,590	2,994	3,973	
At Colonial Drive	1.91	1,399	2,129	2,494	3,407	
At Preston Drive	0.74	576	652	754	897	
SORGHUM BRANCH						
At mouth	1.36	466	658	749	903	REVISED
SPEARS CREEK	1.00	100	320	, 12	700	DATA
At County Line Dam	10.83	817	1,521	1,795	2,320	
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<sup>1</sup> Outside Richland County				CT LOMR		
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FLOODING SOURCE		FLOODWAY			BASE FLOOD WATER SURFACE ELEVATION (FEET NGVD)				
CROSS SECTION	DISTANCE <sup>1</sup>	WIDTH (FEET)	SECTION AREA (SQUARE FEET)	MEAN VELOCITY (FEET PER SECOND)	REGULATORY	WITHOUT FLOODWAY	WITH FLOODWAY	INCREASE	
SMITH BRANCH (continued)									
V	14,930	324	3,373	0.7	222.7	222.7	223.6	0.9	
W	15,450	238	1,912	1.3	222.8	222.8	223.7	0.9	
X	15,960	479	2,168	1.2	223.0	223.0	223.8	0.8	
Y Z	18,060 18,270	42 40	234 187	3.2 4.0	233.4 234.3	233.4 234.3	233.9 234.6	0.5 0.3	
AA	18,640	30	157	4.8	234.3	234.3	234.6	0.3	
AB	18,940	40	373	2.0	238.4	238.4	238.4	0.0	
							REVISED TO REFLECT LOMR		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Feet above confluence with Broad River

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**FLOODWAY DATA** 

**SMITH BRANCH** 









